



CENTRAL COUNCIL
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Executive Council of the Central Council
TLINGIT AND HAIDA INDIAN TRIBES OF ALASKA

Resolution EC/ 14-40

Title: Authority to Apply for Funding from the Rural Business Cooperative Service

WHEREAS, Central Council Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (Central Council) is a federally recognized tribe of more than 29,000 tribal citizens worldwide; and

WHEREAS, Central Council established the Vocational Training & Resource Center (VTRC) to provide vocational training to individuals seeking to improve their job skills, gain employment, or increase their pay; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) announces the availability of grants through the Rural Business Opportunity Grant (RBOG) program for Fiscal Year (FY) 2014; and

WHEREAS, the primary objective of the program is to improve the economic conditions of rural areas; and

WHEREAS, USDA assistance provided to rural areas under this program includes technology-economic development and leadership and entrepreneur training; and

WHEREAS, the VTRC High School and Vocational Distance education programs have been established and are able to provide relevant training; and

WHEREAS, the proposal seeks to expand training to Prince of Wales by coordinating with Klawock Cooperative Association to recruit and deliver the training; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the RBOG funding requirements, improving the economic conditions of rural areas through leadership and entrepreneur training improves economic conditions of rural areas; and

WHEREAS, USDA will fund the \$100,000 of the proposed project, including the full amount of Central Council's federally approved indirect rate; and

WHEREAS, VTRC strives to make training relevant to communities so that individuals will be able to obtain gainful employment without moving away from their families; and

WHEREAS, by providing training and assistance with job placement for individuals the VTRC programs improve the long term financial health of tribal members and their families;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Council of the Central Council Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska does hereby authorize Central Council to apply funding through the Rural Business-Cooperative Service, USDA Rural Business Opportunity Grant program;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Executive Council of the Central Council Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska does hereby authorize the President of Central Council or the Chief Operating Officer to negotiate, execute, and administer any and all documents and contracts required for granting the funds to the Central Council Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska and managing funds on behalf of this entity, including any subsequent amendments to said agreement.


ADOPTED this 13th day of June 2014, by the Executive Council of the Central Council Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, by a vote of 5 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions and 1 absence(s).

CERTIFY



President Richard J. Peterson

ATTEST



Tribal Secretary Jolene Edenshaw